

I WILL HONOR CHRISTMAS IN MY HEART, AND TRY TO KEEP IT ALL YEAR — Charles Dickens

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1974-75 SCHOOL COSTS IN MAINE UP 10.9% OVER 1973-74 BY STATE'S FIGURES

The cost of operating Maine's elementary and secondary schools increased 10.9% from 1973-74 to 1974-75, according to a preliminary computation made by the Maine Department of Educational and Cultural Services.

Reported expenditures show that \$245,465,613 were expended in the state's school systems in 1973-74 compared to \$221,436,420 the previous fiscal year.

Recording the largest percentage increases were special education and vocational education. Vocational education increased by 51.4% from \$3 million to \$4.6 million largely due to mandated programs in 11 new regions started at the secondary level, and programs in special education, also mandated, showed a 41.1% increase from \$6.5 million to \$9.1 million.

Transportation operation, or the cost of operating buses, increased by 19.3% from \$11.4 million to \$13.6 million, reflecting largely increased fuel costs.

Elementary school operating costs, excluding special education, went up 11% from \$105.9 million to \$117.5 million. Secondary school costs, excluding special education and vocational education, showed an increase of 8.1% from \$68.4 million to \$74 million. Largest percentage increase within the category of operating costs was heat for buildings which increased by 49% from \$1.6 million to \$2.4 million at the secondary level and by 44.6% from \$2.8 million to \$4.1 million at the elementary level.

Another overall increase was 9.8% from \$16 million to \$17.6 million in debt service.

Both capital outlay and bus purchases showed slight decreases. Capital outlay decreased from \$7.5 million to \$6.4 million, and bus purchases were down \$1,669 from \$2.6 million.

The cost figures were compiled from financial report summaries supplied to the MDECS by local school systems throughout the state.

SEVEN STATES AND CANADA INVITED TO SUNDAY RIVER FOR HALF-PRICE SKIING

Sunday River Ski Area will offer half-price skiing to residents of seven Eastern states and Canada in a series of state ski weeks beginning early in January, announced Les Otten, general manager of the resort.

A special week has been set aside for each state's residents to receive half-price rates on individual day lift tickets and lessons

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A commemorative cup made in Bethel by Bonnema Pottery especially for the town's Bicentennial observance is presented to Bethel Historical Society President Margaret Joy Tibbitts by Mary Newcomb representing the Bethel Bicentennial Committee. Looking on are Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Bonnema. Only a limited number of these cups will be made.

Each will be numbered and bear the following inscription: "Bethel, Maine 1776-1976". Anyone interested in obtaining one of these special commemorative cups can order by calling 824-2908 or writing Stanley Howe, Secretary-Treasurer, Bethel Bicentennial Committee, Bethel, Maine 04217. The price is four dollars each. All proceeds will support Bethel's Bicentennial activities.

as well as on the area's one-day learn to ski package.

"We are holding state weeks to encourage our neighbors to come here and see what we have to offer," said Otten. "We have better facilities and more challenging terrain than most skiers are aware of. We hope this will be an incentive for skiers to enjoy skiing at Sunday River."

The states invited to participate are Massachusetts, Jan. 5 - 11 Maine and New Hampshire, Jan. 12-18; Rhode Island and Connecticut, Jan. 19-25; New Jersey, New York, Feb. 2-8, and Canada, Jan. 26-Feb. 1.

NOTICE

The phone number listed in the new directory for Floyd Mason is in error. Mr. Mason may be reached at the Mason Farm, 836-2683.

EMPLOYERS URGED TO ISSUE W-2'S EARLY

The Internal Revenue Service requests all employers to issue W-2 withholding forms to their employees early in January so that they can file their tax returns early for a quick refund.

The IRS is making the same requests of banks, brokerage firms, insurance companies and others who issue 1099 forms. These requests are being made so that taxpayers can receive their refund checks earlier in the filing period.

Taxpayers must have their W-2 Form and, if applicable, their 1099 Form to file their tax returns.

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DANCING IN THE SNOWBALL ROOM
to the Music of The Moonlighters

Luncheon Plate will be served continuously throughout the evening.

\$5.00 Single

\$9.00 Couple

LOUNGE WILL BE OPEN

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COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

The Selectmen requested that a letter be sent to Harold Carver who is retiring as a member of the Water District Trustees, to express their appreciation for his services during the five years that he has been a member.

The Selectmen met on Dec. 22 for the regular semi-monthly meeting, all were present. Also present were Merton Brown, Robert Saunders, Sumner Burgess, Richard Harding and Richard Sweetser.

The filling of the vacancy on the Water District Trustees; following discussion of the position, was tabled to a special meeting to be held on Dec. 29.

Maurice Roy has been appointed to serve on the Budget Committee replacing Albert Buck who resigned.

Discussion on how to resolve the right of way problem concerning Evergreen Drive was tabled until the next regular meeting as the Acting Town Manager was unable to be present to brief the Selectmen, reporting on the information received from the Maine Municipal Association.

Clerical assistance was authorized for two weeks in January due to the increased work load.

Request to reconsider the valuation on a boat owned by Benjamin Warner, also request from J. D. Alger relative to the valuation on his Broad Street property were both discussed, the decision being that they are both satisfactory.

Abatement of a 1970 personal property tax assessed to Heirs of Henry Godwin was approved. Due to oversight it had not been abated in previous years. Reason for abatement was that the property assessed had been sold.

Harold L. Bean

MT. ABRAM SKI SLOPES OPENED LAST SUNDAY

Mt. Abram Ski Slopes at Locke Mills opened officially last Sunday afternoon for the season. The snowstorms which hit the area on the week end provided the slopes with four inches of new natural snow. With the packed powder surface thus making excellent skiing conditions on the novice slopes, fair on the intermediate and limited on the expert. Until the arrival of the storms on the week end which left eight or nine inches in the area, Locke Mills had only light dustings of snow unlike other surrounding areas which had snow varying from 3 to 10 inches.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

There will be a united church service at the Bethel Methodist Church on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Thomas Caton will give the message. All churches are invited to attend.

LOST

Brown pocketbook, containing valuable papers and sum of money. Please return to Helen Smith, 824-2066.



TRUCKERS WARNED "FROZEN GROUND" LAW NO LONGER VALID

Maine Secretary of State Mark Gately warned Maine truck owners again this week that the hard road or commonly-called "frozen ground" law was eliminated by the last session of the Maine Legislature. The Secretary of State stressed the importance of Maine trucks being aware of the fact that the frozen ground law or privilege no longer exists. Recently a Maine trucker was fined over \$2,000 for overweight because he believed the law was still in effect.

Under the provisions of the frozen ground law a truck owner who had paid a registration fee of at least \$100 could operate that truck during the months of December, January, and February with any legal overload. In the case of a five-axle tractor-trailer, that legal overload usually meant that a gross weight of 73,280 pounds was legal, whereas a registration fee of \$100 otherwise allowed a gross weight of only 18,000 pounds.

A straight weight increase or a short term weight increase now must be obtained if a trucker desires to operate during any month with a gross weight greater than the registered weight of the truck or truck-trailer. These short term increases are available in any Motor Vehicle Division Branch Office.

OPEN HOUSE

All friends and relatives of Ruth and Leon Wilson are invited to an open house at Martha's Restaurant in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Dec. 27, 1975, from 1 p. m. to 5 p. m.

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SHEPHERDS COMETH as of old to admire the Infant Jesus during the thirteenth annual Living Nativity Pageant held on Bethel Common last Sunday. Among those portraying shepherds were (left to right): Henry Dombkowski, Dave Denison, and Tim Kersey.

STATE POLICE URGE EXTRA DRIVING CARE DURING HOLIDAY SEASON

The Maine State Police is urging motorists to be extra responsible during the forthcoming holiday season.

"During the Christmas-New Year period, Troopers will be especially alert for drinking drivers who can spoil the happiness for all of us," said Colonel Donald E. Nichols, Chief of the Maine State Police.

Motorists are advised to remember if they are not in condition to drive to let someone else drive or take them home.

"On any trip—however long or short—it's also important motorists allow for possible snowy weather, icy roads, and other drivers' mistakes," Col. Nichols said.

Troopers on patrol usually have to respond to a greater number of accidents during the holiday season; therefore, motorists are urged not to drink if they plan to drive and to use caution by driving defensively, the State Police Chief said.

"CITIZEN" TO PUBLISH WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31

Because of the holiday, New Year's Day, Thursday, Jan. 1, 1976, the Citizen will be published on Wednesday, Dec. 31, 1975. Deadlines consequently are one day earlier than usual. Early receipt of ALL contributions will be necessary.

JACKSON-SILVER POST #68

Annual New Year's Dance Party

DEC. 31st, 1975 8:30 p. m.

Members and Guests

\$5.00 per couple

Only 120 Tickets

GAME PARTY

Legion Hall—Locke Mills

Every Friday—7:00 p. m.

JACKSON-SILVER POST

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AND A

Happy New Year



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8:30-12:30

Newry

— Miss Amy Hanscom, Corrae. —
Miss Julia Ball is a patient at the Rumford Community Hospital, where she underwent surgery on her hip which she fractured in a fall at her home.

Charles Haegle went to Boston Sunday to meet his mother, Mrs. Cecelia Haegle, Philadelphia, Pa., who will spend the week with Mr. and Mrs. Haegle and family.

Mrs. Suzanne Hayner, Glastonbury, Conn., is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Mary Tripp. Gaye Hayner will come Wednesday for the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bachelder and children and Miss Heidi Bachelder visited their grandmother, Mrs. Carrie York, Madison, during the week end.

A pot luck fellowship supper was held Sunday at 6 p. m. at the former Branch School House, followed by Special Christmas Services by Pastor Rodney Hanscom, and a program by the Youth

Group and the Sunday School with their teachers, Mrs. Brenda Bartholomew, Mrs. Lynda Haegle, and Mrs. Joan Vail.

Mrs. Lynda Haegle, Brian and Meredith, visited her sister, Mrs. Joseph Ricci, Portland, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Lurvey, of Locke Mills, called on Amy and Roger Hanscom, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip O'Donnell and family, Cumberland, will be guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Bachelder, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Saunders and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morton, Jr., Bethel, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald York and family, West Buxton, will be guests of Mrs. Eleanor Morton, Harry, Jock and Peter, Thursday.

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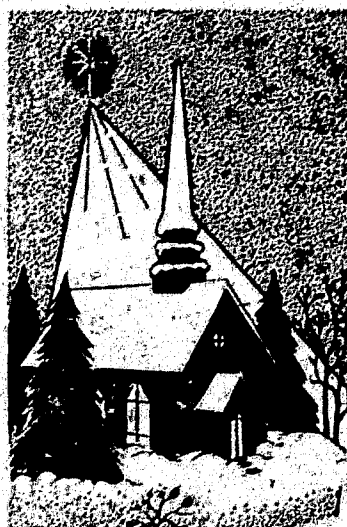
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O Holy Night

In the spirit of Christmas, joy and peace to the world. Special greetings to all our friends and neighbors.

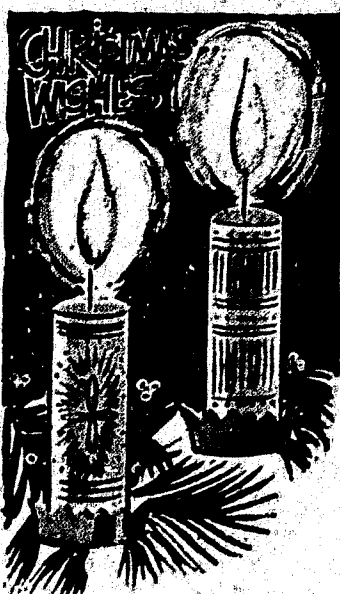
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Silent Night

Let us welcome the spirit of Christmas into our hearts.

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May the warmth of this great holiday fill all the world with joy and peace.

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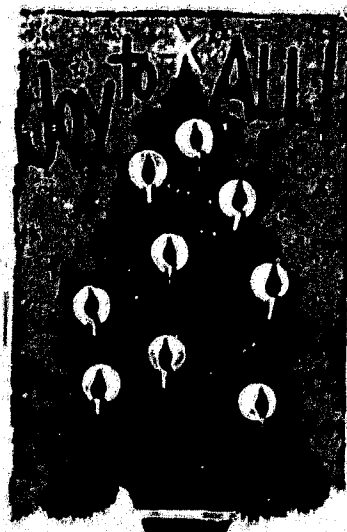
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— Mrs. Collette Morgan, Corres. —
At this time of year I usually recall Christmas in that one room school where I taught so many years. For weeks we drilled and rehearsed by cutting short some classes.

As the night drew nearer, many changes took place in the school room. The black boards were brightly bordered; poinsettias, Santa, and holly, usually colored and laboriously cut out.

From windows dangled paper chains, red ribbons, or wreaths. Above the doors were festoons of brightness. Even the portrait of George Washington was fringed with boughs.

The picking-out of a tree was usually a group affair when we all went to the forest to choose. What a special time this was as the hills rang with our fun and laughter. The tree was dragged in by the older boys and girls, put on a standard, then fitted into the corner reserved for it. Then came the fun of trimming it, an all grade affair; from tinsel to gay bells and strings of popcorn. The graceful green boughs were their Christmas dress proudly and well. A wire was fastened across the room in front. Bed sheets or blankets were used for curtains. Safety pins made them fast to the wire and served to move them along smoothly.

A reliable curtain tender was chosen for the night of the performance.

Tension ran high on the last two days before THE night and almost reached a breaking point at times. Costumes for the young performers were made and placed where they could be easily reached. Older pupils often showed much talent in the making.

On the afternoon when all things were ready, as each, bundled up to leave, he took a last look from the door and said, "See you tonight." Each felt as a conspirator on a great adventure.

At the farm homes, chores were hurried through so parents could attend.

Night came and the little building was aglow with lights, an unfamiliar sight. It was like a hub of a wheel with vehicles arriving from all roads. A thrill ran up and down the spines of all who were to take a part.

Girls freshly dressed and boys in their best took the seats assigned to them and looked with awe at the loaded tree. What a thrill awaited them!

The final moment came, the curtains opened and the stage managed with precision. Each one

— Mrs. Alice F. Hoyt, Corres. —
The following is the address for Rachel Twitchell who is in the hospital. Rachel Twitchell, Brookwood Hospital, 151 Sotoyome Ave., Santa Rosa, Calif. 95405.

The young people of the Baptist Church will present the evening service at the church next Sunday evening.

The youth group went caroling last Friday evening. They visited eight different homes of shut-ins, after which they were served hot chocolate and bars, cookies and popcorn at the Ken Hoyts.

Both the Christmas play and the Sunday school program and tree were well attended even in the bad weather.

Philip House is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Belmont House for Christmas.

knew when to move from his front seat. The big pupils helped the little ones or the one assigned to him.

The timid beginner some times needed assurance from Teacher or a squeeze of the hand for moral support as he left to face his audience to give his long-practiced first piece.

As the program ended, with a Christmas carol and the curtain closed for the last time, Teacher who had been everywhere at once now had a calm feeling of successful accomplishment, after a hint of near hysteria during the days of preparation.

A jingling of bells was heard outside then that white-bearded Santa stepped "from the board" and brought real Christmas joy. He passed out his treat then was gone into the night.

Grade Eight took from the tree the gifts made for Mom and Dad and all the others. They were thus honored with this privilege for which they had waited these nine Christmases. This was to be their last.

As the last "Merry Christmas" was said, Teacher, who had been stage director, make-up man, prompter, and confidence giver was alone to put out the lights (I remember, too, when they were lamps) and lock the door.

Whether lines had been forgotten or mistakes made, mattered not. It had been a glorious time.

To those who have never experienced a Christmas program in a one room school of nine grades; you have missed something. You'll never know the "woven spell" it had to offer. You'll never know how a stray Christmas angel hovering low over a tiny school building can bring togetherness and heights of happiness.

Now as I write, "Happy Christmas" to you my cuckoo clock is calling the hour, again reminding me of my pupils at Greenwood City School who gave it to me one such night so long ago.

My callers this week have been

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Following the Oxford County Council meeting in Locke Mills, Dec. 16, Commander Cleveland Lovejoy called a special meeting to vote on three new members, bringing the Post to 94%.

The Bill Rogers benefit game party Saturday afternoon was considered a success. Marion Jordan had charge of the refreshments.

The Post and Unit will assist another local needy family and send a Christmas gift to their Gold Star Sister, Clara Jackson.

There will be a New Years Ball with fun-makers etc. Lovejoy orchestra will furnish the music. Only 60 couples can attend, so get your ticket early from Warren Smith. Next meeting is Jan. 15.

Eight Posts and Units answered roll call at the County meeting. Department Service Officer Robert Russell gave an informative talk and answered questions.

Refreshments were served, including a Holiday Cake, made by Joyce Hathaway. An exchange of gifts and some carol singing was enjoyed with Commander Lovejoy at the organ. A sick card was signed for Past County Commander, Ed Miller of Dixfield. Next meeting will be in Dixfield, Jan. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leighton and Lynda, Poland; David Holt, home on vacation from U. M. Orono; Lucy Ridley, Norway; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Felton, Town; Helen Heath and Mindy, Norway.

Eldith Lang, West Paris, recently visited Fay Holt.

Club Eight met with Katie Tamminen on Tuesday afternoon for their Christmas party and exchange of gifts.

Doris Hayes and I attended a Christmas party at the home of Dorothy Ross in West Paris, Tuesday evening. Others attending were Doris Slattery, Avis Stellhorn, Louvie Coffin, Lettie Brooks and Lyndell Farr. After a delicious dinner everyone enjoyed the exchange of gifts and the evening of fun. We missed Agnes Gray, another member of our group. She was unable to come.

Roland Hayes had an accident at his home on Tuesday and dislocated the bones in his shoulder. He had surgery Thursday, a pin put in, at Norway hospital, and returned home on Sunday.

The Hayes boys, Glenn, Ardell, and Duane and their families were at the Hayes Homestead over the week end.

Scot Hayes, West Paris, is with his grandparents, for a few days visit.

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— Marguerite Emerson, Corres. —
Santa Claus rode into town in his truck so red.

And many an unbelieving person stopped and turned his head. He turned up to Mother Goose class driving, oh so slow.

Popped in to surprise the wee ones with his jolly ho! ho! ho. He is checking, just checking at every door and gate.

So let's all be our very best before it is too late.

Wednesday he visited Story Hour and listened to our needs.

He told he had his sleigh and one of his prancing steeds.

Santa gave advice—to be nice—and goodies from his sack.

He left in a hurry and we rushed out to find his sleigh and Rudolph's track.

Santa hurries round and round on land in air and snow.

You can always tell who's coming when you hear his ho! ho! ho!

He visits the whole world of children with names from A to Z.

So be good over there in California, Octavia and Medee.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thomas, St. George, were recent overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Nuppula. The Thomases are enroute to Largo, Fla., to the winter at their home there.

Mrs. William Nuppula underwent major surgery at the Rumford Community Hospital Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Eva Bodwell has returned home after a two week visit with her daughter and son in law, Ruth and Russell Hilton and their daughter Joscelyn, at Kittery.

From there they visited a week with Mrs. Wanita Rose at Boston, Mass., returning home after spending the week end with her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. George Wentworth at Albion.

Mrs. Nellie Merrill, Exeter, N. H., is spending Christmas with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Merrill at South Andover.

Mrs. Theima Clark left Saturday to spend the night with her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Morton at Norway, Early Sunday they plan to motor to La-

conia, N. H., to visit Mr. and Mrs. David McDonald and infant son, Ryan and to bring Mrs. Frances Poor back with them. She has been visiting and assisting in the care of her first grandchild.

On Tuesday, Dec. 16, the Andover Historical Society held its monthly meeting at the Hook and Ladder Hall. Austin Daigle reported on a very informative lecture he had recently attended by a Mr. Marius Peladeau of the Maine League of Historical Societies and Museums. The subject of the lecture was the proper handling of antiques. There are definite rules on their acquisition, registration, documentation and cataloguing. These standard rules will be observed. Refreshments were served by Roger and Louise Mills and Marie Lang.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 20 at the home of Austin and Virginia Daigle. All interested persons are welcome.

Wednesday, Dec. 17, the Ladies Aid of the First Congregational Church of Andover met at the Christian Education Building for a business meeting. The annual meeting will be Jan. 7 at the home of Anne Fox. There will be a pot luck luncheon at 12 noon.

Miss Florence Hall will spend the Christmas holiday with her nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marston and Tiffany at Portland. Mrs. Helen Meisner, Rumford, will also be a guest of her daughter and son-in-law, the H. Marstons.

The Andover Senior Citizens group enjoyed a pot luck supper and Christmas tree Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kraft showed slides, and told of their motor trailer trip accompanied by the Falkenhams in October, which was much enjoyed. Birthdays of Mrs. Laura Learned, Phillip Learned and Marion Mansfield were honored.

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REAL CANDLES — Miss Florence Hall of Andover, shown with her Christmas tree of lighted candles—energy crunch hasn't bothered her as she has never used electric lights on her Christmas tree.

South Andover, will have as Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thurston and Mark, Mrs. Bernice Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jodrey, Miss Marguerite Jodrey and Francis Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey flew to Portland Sunday from San Francisco, Calif., where he has been attending advance computer programming classes.

Ms. Julia Akers arrived at Portland from St. Petersburg, Fla., and was met by her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Swan, to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Raymond Akers and sisters in town.

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Rodney Hanson, Chairman
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Sunday:
9:15 a. m. Sunday School.
10:30 a. m. Morning Worship.
10:30 a. m. Nursery during Worship Service.
6:00 p. m. MYF at the church.
Monday: Bible Study at the Parsonage, 7 p. m.
Wednesday:
10 a. m. Study Groups meet at the home of Mrs. Burton Abbott.
Thursday: 6:30 Choir Rehearsal.

West Parish
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Church St., Bethel
Rev. Thomas L. Caton, Pastor
Miss Mary Valentine, Organist
Ms. Carless Bradley, Director
of Christian Education

Sunday:
Morning Worship, 10 a. m.
Church School, 10 a. m.
Senior Youth Fellowship, 7 p. m.
Thursday:
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p. m.
Bethel Church of the Nazarene
Reach out to Jesus — He is reaching out to you.

Sunday:
10:00 a. m. Sunday School.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.
5:00 p. m. N.Y.P.S.
6:00 p. m. Evening Worship.
Wednesday: 7 p. m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting. For information concerning meeting please phone 836-3354.

For transportation to any service, please call Mrs. Geraldine Shimamura, 836-3354.
Our Lady of the Snows Church
Rev. Donald R. Proulx
29 Paris St., Norway
Tel. 743-2606

Saturday, 4:30 p. m. Holy Sacrament of the Mass.
Chapel of Christ the King
Episcopal
Sundays at 7:45 p. m., Bethel Savings Bank.

Bethel Gospel Center
at the Odd Fellows Hall
Pastor Edward Gammon
Sunday:
Sunday School, 9:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 10:00 a. m.
Youth Group, 5:00 p. m.
Evening Service, 7:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
Bible Study and Prayer Service, 7:00 p. m.

West Bethel Union Church
B. R. Griffith, Pastor
Sunday:
Morning Worship, 10 a. m.
Youth Fellowship, 8 p. m.
Evening Worship, 7 p. m.

Lacks Mills Union Church
Rev. John Haverinen
Church services, 9:30 a. m.
Sunday School, 10:45 a. m.
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7-8 p. m.
Mrs. Richard Melville, organist and choir director. Choir rehearsal every Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.

Bryant Pond Baptist Church
Linwood Hanson, Pastor
9:15 Sunday School.
10:30, Morning Worship Service.
6:00, Young Peoples' Meeting.
Junior Young Peoples, grades 4-6; Word of Life Club, grades 7-12.
7:00, Evening Service.
Wednesday, Choir Practice, 8:15; Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p. m.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church
Pastor: Dwayne Toppenberg
Saturday:
Sabbath School: 10:00 a. m.
Church Service: 11:30.
Prayer meeting: Tuesday evening, 7:30.

West Paris Universalist Church
John Coyle, Minister
Mrs. Elaine Emery, Organist
Worship Service, 10 a. m.
Sunday School, 11 a. m.
LRY, 8 p. m.

Newry Community Church
Sunday:
Morning Worship, 9 a. m. Robert Hanson, Pastor, Robert Duran, Pianist.
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
Youth Group meets Sunday at 8:30 p. m.

Calvary Congregational Church
Andover, Maine
M. Lester Street, Pastor
Miss Beverly White, Pianist
Mrs. Ralph Stinson, Choir Director
Sunday:
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Bible-centered lessons; Classes for all ages; Adult class.
Worship Service, 10:45 a. m.

First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Andover
James E. Bonworth, Pastor
Mrs. Linda Burnham, Organist
Mrs. Shirley Fife, Music Director
Daniel Kraft, Church School Superintendent
Donald Mixer, Assistant Superintendent
Sunday: Morning Worship, 10 a. m.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Wednesday: Ladies' Aid meets, 1:30 p. m.
Jr. Choir, Florence Kraft, Director, 2:45 p. m.
Sanctuary Choir rehearses, 7:30 p. m.

The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Dorland
For information concerning services call 836-3354.

North Woodstock

— Mrs. Linda Fraser, Correspondent —

The Spruce Mountain Snowsports Club held a meeting Tuesday evening at the North Woodstock Chapel. Visitors were present from the West Paris Snowmobile Assn. The winner of the Christmas basket was Chester Cornell of West Paris. Following the meeting there was a Christmas party complete with Santa.

Mrs. Shari Burnham returned to work Monday after recovering from torn ligaments in her leg. David Roberts, Bryant Pond, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Davis and Dawn Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cole and foster sons of Rumford, spent the week end at their trailer.

Richard Fraser had surgery on his right hand Wednesday and will be several weeks recuperating.

Mrs. Edgar Davis called on Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Cole this week.

Mrs. Emma Billings, Mrs. Sonja Davis, Mrs. Linda Fraser and Miss Carol Davis attended the Christmas concert at Telstar Wednesday evening in which Suzanne Billings was a participant.

Miss Mary Fraser stayed with her cousins Sarah and Allison Chapman in Bethel Sunday night and with her grandmothers, Doris Fraser and Esther Williamson in Bethel Tuesday night.

Rumford Point Congregational Church
Rev. Carl M. Kingsbury, Pastor
Mrs. Rupert Elliott, Organist
Miss Mary Lou Burns, Supt. of Church School

Sunday:
9:30 a. m. Morning Worship.
10:30 a. m. Fellowship Hour.
10:45 a. m. Church School.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Oxford Branch—at the Branch Chapel, Skeetfield Road, Oxford.
Sunday:
Priesthood, 9:00 a. m.
Sunday School, 10:15 a. m.
Sacrament Meeting, 11:45 p. m.

Tuesday:
Relief Society (Woman's Organization) 9 a. m.
Primary (3-12 year olds) 6:45 p. m.

M.I.A. (12-18 year olds) 7 p. m.
Christian Science Services
In all Christian Science Churches, the Lesson-Sermon read from the book is the same. The public is cordially invited to attend.
Sunday, Dec. 28: Subject—Christian Science, Golden Text: Isaiah 52:10—The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

First Church of Christ Scientists
corner of Main and Tenth Streets, Berlin, N. H., holds Sunday morning services at 11 a. m., and Sunday School at the same hour for pupils up to the age of 20 years. The Wednesday evening meeting is at 7:45, including testimonies of healing.

Christian Science Society, Norway, 9 Stevens St., off Alpine St.
Sunday: Services and Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday evening includes testimonies of healing.
You are cordially invited to attend these services. Everyone is welcome.

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH
Bertram Wentworth, Summer Pastor

Albany Congregational Church
Sunday:
10:30 a. m. Morning Worship.
Mr. Wentworth preaching.

East Monmouth Congregational Church
Sunday:
9:00 a. m. Morning Worship.
9:00 a. m. Church School.

North Waterford Congregational Church
Sunday:
10:30 a. m. Morning Worship.
10:30 a. m. Church School.

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church
Petrograd Street
Rev. Michael Westenberg
Berlin, New Hampshire 03570
Saturday, 7:00 p. m. Great Vespers.

Sunday, 8:30 a. m. Divine Liturgy.
Feast days announced.

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The Child Is Born



And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn.
And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

St. Luke 2: 7-11

CMP SAYS TYPICAL DECEMBER ELECTRIC BILL TO BE LOWER THAN YEAR AGO

Central Maine Power Company's typical residential bills this December will be lower than they were a year ago as a result of low cost nuclear power, CMP has announced.

E. W. Thurlow, president of CMP, said that the December fuel adjustment charge of 2.8 mills per kilowatt hour is the lowest charge since more than a year ago when the oil embargo price hikes began to take full effect on electric bills.

Thurlow said that nearly all CMP residential customers will pay less this December for the same amount of electricity consumed last year despite a rate increase in effect since May. In December 1974 a bill for 500 kilowatt hours was \$20.48. This month the bill for 500 kwh will be \$17.47.

The cost of fuel to generate electricity was significantly reduced in 1975, Thurlow said, as a result of low-cost power generated at Maine Yankee nuclear power station in Wiscasset and at three other New England nuclear plants in which CMP also has partial ownership.

Nuclear power will exceed 40% of the electricity consumed by CMP customers during 1975, Thurlow said. "Maine Yankee will generate 4.5 billion kilowatt hours in 1975. It did so at about one half the cost of producing the same

Hanover

— Pam Norton, Correspondent —

The Warren D. Stearns family held a party on Saturday night for the accounting office of the Oxford Paper Company. There were 42 present.

The Gerald Perkins family entertained friends in their home Saturday night.

The Pilgrim Fellowship of the Rumford Point Church delivered Christmas cards on Sunday afternoon, then they returned to the church for a Christmas party.

The Junior Youth Group of the Rumford Point Church took fruit baskets to shut-ins on Saturday, after which they returned to the church where they had a Christmas Party.

On Monday the Girl Scouts visited the Cozy Inn Nursing Home to deliver tray savers. They also sang carols and performed a dance for the patients. Afterward they got pizzas and returned to the church for a party.

Don't forget the Candlelight Communion Service at the Rumford Point Church on Christmas Eve at 7 o'clock.

EARLY FILERS GET REFUNDES FASTER, IRS SAYS

Taxpayers who file their returns in January or early February can expect any refund due in four to six weeks, or roughly half the time late filers will have to wait, according to J. J. Jennings, IRS District Director for Maine.

In urging taxpayers to file early, Jennings said that individuals who delay filing until late March or April—the peak filing time—may have to wait for their return as long as ten weeks.

Another advantage to filing early, according to the Maine district director is avoidance of careless errors often made by last-minute filers who are rushed. These errors—which frequently involve incorrect arithmetic, use of the wrong tax table, or failure to sign the return—can further delay processing of the return as well as the refund check.

Mr. Jennings said that taxpayers should begin now to gather their records, such as receipts or cancelled checks, to substantiate itemized medical deductions, charitable contributions, and others. With records in order, Jennings added, the taxpayer can begin to fill out the tax return as soon as the tax package arrives by mail within the next two weeks.

Last year, 307,000 taxpayers in Maine received refunds amounting to \$97,000,000.

amount of electricity at an oil-fired plant which would have had to burn more than 8 million barrels of oil. The savings in oil resulted in the low fuel adjustment charge and a net lessening of CMP's dependence on expensive foreign oil," he said.



INCOME TAX LAW CHANGES SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY

Maine taxpayers will find new features which may save them money when they file their 1975 federal income tax returns, J. J. Jennings, IRS District Director, has announced.

The Tax Reduction Act of 1975 includes tax-saving features for many taxpayers. Some of these features are:

—A \$30 tax credit for each person claimed as a dependent.

—A 5% credit, with a \$3000 ceiling on the purchase of a new principal residence built or under construction before March 28, 1975 and acquired and occupied as a principal residence after March 12, 1975 and before Jan. 1, 1977.

—A new low income allowance of \$1900 for married persons filing a joint return, \$1000 for a single person and \$950 for married people filing separately.

—A higher standard deduction of 16% to a maximum of \$3000 for married persons filing jointly, \$1900 for married persons filing

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MANCHESTER MUCHACHOS, who will appear in Mollycoddle Day Parade, 1976. The Muchachos are a Drum and Bugle Corps made up of high school and college students from the Manchester, N. H., area.

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Bethel and Vicinity

Harry Chase returned to his home last Saturday after undergoing surgery at Maine Medical Center, Portland.

Mrs. Edwin Brown and Mrs. Danny Davis and Karen visited Mrs. Barry Crommet in Jay on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Trafton Foster, Seth and Aaron, Wilmington, Del., are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Foster.

Shirley Merrill's third grade at Crescent Park School in Bethel will be singing Christmas carols on the Norway radio station WY-FM 93 on Christmas day from 5:30 to 6 o'clock at night. The 19 children sing five Christmas songs accompanied by Mrs. Lyn Myers, Bethel. The singers hope you will listen and share in their Christmas spirit.

NOTICE

Due to the school day being shortened because of the storm warning issued by the State Office of Emergency Preparedness on Dec. 18, the afternoon kindergarten Christmas party at Ethel Bissbee School had to be postponed. Mrs. Cross wishes to announce that it will be held on Jan. 5 when classes resume following vacation.

EMERGENCY SERVICE AVAILABLE FOR THE DEAF

The Maine State Police is taking part in a statewide program to provide deaf persons, residing in Maine, the means of requesting emergency police, fire and medical services.

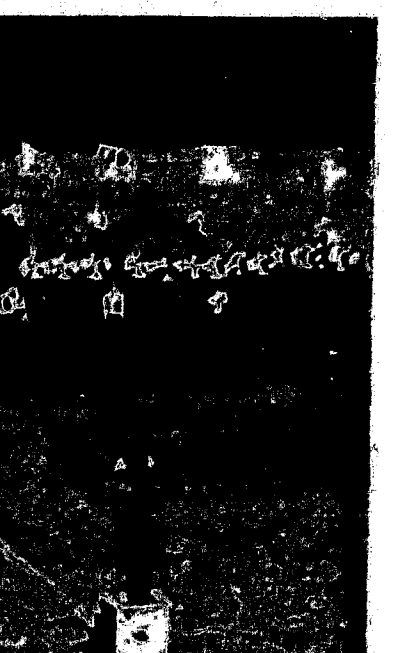
"Presently there are 43 deaf homes in Maine who have access to teletype machines having direct contact with the Augusta headquarters Regional Communications Center," said Col. Donald E. Nichols, Chief of the Maine State Police. "Soon there will be 100 machines in operation, allowing us to aid in rendering emergency services to these people."

The deaf program is sponsored by the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children and Adults, through a matching federal grant from the State Bureau of Rehabilitation.

The support machine, the only one connected to a Maine Law enforcement agency, was installed at State Police headquarters at no cost.

According to Lieutenant Edward P. Wilson, Communications Officer, "When a telephone call comes in, and we hear a waivering beep tone, the phone is placed in a special coupler and the individual is asked to type their message. Normal procedures are then followed for a prompt response."

Upon receipt of a call for emergency assistance, State Police notifies the appropriate Law Enforcement or medical agency for action, Lieut. Wilson said.



UMO MAKING EFFORT TO CONSERVE ENERGY DURING SEMESTER BREAK

Students at the University of Maine at Orono will be on vacation until Jan. 19 during the Christmas holidays and the break between semesters. During this period UMO officials in an effort to conserve energy have ordered a complete set-back in temperatures in seven buildings plus most of the dormitories and a partial set-back in another 24 buildings as well as some of the farm buildings. A complete set-back in temperatures requires that the building be maintained at 55 degrees. In a partial set-back, portions of the building will be maintained at 55 and other portions at 65 degrees.

tax credit. The maximum credit has been increased to \$25 (\$30 on a joint return).

Mr. Jennings reminded taxpayers that Congress has been considering proposals to change several tax law provisions. If changes are made that affect 1975 incomes, the IRS will provide supplemental forms and information to taxpayers.

Taxpayers in the Augusta area can contact the IRS by calling 622-3761. Persons in outlying areas may call toll free 1-800-492-6750.

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Songo Pond

— Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres. —
Mr. and Mrs. Barry Salway and Scotty of Gilford, N. H., called on the David Salways last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Eitel Bean and Sarah, Otisfield, and Derek and Erin Adams, Hanover, were lunch guests of Mrs. Ralph Kimball on Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert Anderson went to Portland Jetport Friday, to meet her parents on their return flight from visiting relatives in South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Awall of Augusta visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bancroft attended a family Christmas gathering at the home of his sister, Mrs. Agnes Lahti in Waterford on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. David Salway and Mrs. Alice Kimball visited relatives in Oxford and Otisfield Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Queior visited his relatives in New York State last week.

May the blessings of Christmas be yours, and happiness fill each day of the New Year.

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to everyone for the cards I received while in the Rumford Community Hospital and to Gerry Shimamura and Thelma Merrill for caring for Dennis. Especially thanks to the employees of Hanover Dowel Company for the lovely plant and to Frances, Wallace and Bobby Saunders for the unusual terrarium. Merry Christmas to all.

Barbara Gallant

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Compare our cars and prices and you will agree we are Thrifty Auto Sales

FOR SALE - 1970 Ford XL, also 6' Jeep Snow Plow Blade. Priced right. DANA BROOKS. 51-52

1975 Polaris, 440 TX, 400 miles, w/cover. 824-2864 after 5 p. m. 48p-4t

FOR SALE - 1966 Scout 800 with four wheel drive. Mechanically sound but needs body work. See JACK at Brooks Bros. 48t

All hand picked apples, \$3.00 per bushel. MASON FARM. 45t

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FOR RENT

FOR RENT — Two apartments; Downstairs, three rooms and bath; upstairs, four rooms and bath, electric heat, completely furnished. Prefer older people. OLA OLSON, 824-2953. 51-1

FOR RENT in Bethel. Large one bed room apartment available Jan. 1. Baseboard heat, newly decorated. 824-2686 after 6. 51t

APARTMENT FOR RENT - In Bethel Village, 2 bedroom, luxury apartment for sublet, completely furnished and equipped, during January and February, \$350 per month including heat and utilities. Call 824-2781. 49-1

FOR RENT - Garage on Main Street, \$10.00 per month. Call MIKE O'DONNELL, 824-2490 47t

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WOODLOT WANTED — 10-40 acres. Northern hardwoods, 4 - 8 inches DBH. 824-2227 and 824-2825. 52p

STUMPAGE WANTED — Hardwood and soft wood lots. Contact CRAIG BRYANT, East Peru or call 582-8810. 50t

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NEED ANTENNA WORK? Have Ladder—Will Climb



A NEW FENCE has been erected, as well as brush being cleared at the Mason Cemetery, thanks to State Representative R. Donald Twitchell, who was instrumental in securing funds for the project. The first cabin built in that area was destroyed by fire in 1819, and rebuilt in 1820. Apparently the oldest monument in the cemetery bears the date of 1824.

South Woodstock

— Olive Davis, Corres. —
Mrs. Dorothy Gammon spent Christmas day with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown at Hartford.

The schools in SAD #44 were closed Friday as the teachers attended a workshop session.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant called on Olive Davis and Lillian Harmon Tuesday evening.

We had 1 1/2 inches of snow Wednesday night. 4 below zero Friday morning on the hill with the wind blowing. This was on the full of the moon which was beautiful Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barnett called on Mrs. Lillian Harmon and Olive Davis Tuesday morning.

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Upton

— Mrs. Arline Bernier, Corres. —
Arthur Thompson has not been feeling well for several days. His son, Clayton, is staying with him for a few days.

I got another questionnaire from a government official concerning the feasibility of stricter gun control. If I thought laws would keep guns from the possession of criminals I would be all for them, but I think the government could prevent more bodily injury and death by using more sand on icy roads than all the gun laws could possibly effect.

Kathy Bernier is home from Kents Hill School for vacation.

The ladies have been very busy making popcorn balls, wrapping presents for the community tree, decorating and putting together sunshine baskets.

The Brennons got a Christmas tree by an unusual and easy method. A passing vehicle lost one in front of their house. I acquired one almost as easily. I was in the dooryard with an axe when Roberta Belfore stopped by. She told me to put the axe away. Howie would bring over a tree and sure enough that evening when I came home one of the loveliest trees in both size and shape was by my door.

Eames of Errol came over with skidder and low boy to haul the big town truck from Mill Street where it had broken down and hauled it to Errol to repair it.

Lillian, Stuart, Jeanne and Michelle Abbott, Donna Tripp, Faith and Jonathan Crockett of Buckfield and East Sumner called on relatives in town Wednesday.

Several people have had trouble with water freezing. The nice snow cover may help to prevent further problems.

The annual school Christmas program will be held in Errol at the Town Hall on Tuesday this week.

TELSTAR PICKS UP SECOND WIN
—DEFEAT MONMOUTH 61-36
Host Telstar jumped out to an early lead, and substituted freely for over half of the game while hanging a 61-36 decision on Monmouth Academy, Friday night.

Mal Bennett scored 18 points and Jim Osgood added 16 to pace Telstar to its second victory of the season.

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| Telstar | g | f | p |
| Thurlow | 9 | 0 | 8 |
| Bennett | 9 | 0 | 18 |
| Doddell | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Ellsworth | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Osgood | 8 | 0 | 10 |
| Holt | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Whitney | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Douglass | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Taylor | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Totals | 20 | 3 | 61 |

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| Monmouth | g | f | p |
| Chick | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Berry | 1 | 5 | 7 |
| Prebie | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Gile | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| Frost | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Grant | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Coburn | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Hinckley | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Totals | 13 | 12 | 36 |

Telstar 20 38 52 61
Monmouth 9 17 24 36
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CARD OF THANKS
I would like to express my appreciation and sincere thanks to all my friends and relatives for the cards, lovely flowers, visits and kindness shown me while I was in the hospital and since my return home. Thanks to Dr. Young and the Bethel Ambulance and Rescue Service. I really and truly thank you all. God bless you. Wishing you all a Happy Holiday.
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Locke Mills

— Mrs. John Mills, Corres. —
A Christmas Cantata, "There Always Will be a Christmas," will be presented by the Locke Mills choir at the Locke Mills Union Church Wednesday evening, Dec. 24, at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wilson were in Waterboro on the week end, called there by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Bessie Carl.

Mrs. Carl was admitted into the cardiac unit under intensive care at the Sanford hospital. She is expected to be hospitalized three weeks. Friends wishing to send cards may do so at this address: Henrietta Goodall Hospital, Sanford, Maine.

Mrs. Vera Cross and Mrs. Lillian Lapham accompanied Mrs. Verna Swan to a Christmas Concert at the Congregational Church, South Paris, Sunday. On the way home they stopped and enjoyed the Christmas program at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church.

Pamela Coolidge, Michigan, is spending the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swan, Sr.

Mrs. Lettie Ford celebrated her 94th birthday Sunday with a family celebration at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford. Seventeen family members were present from West Sumner. Mrs. Miriam McAllister of Bryant brought a basket from the Eastern Star, and Charlotte Cole entertained with music. Mrs. Ford received gifts and three birthday cakes.

Bruce Swan had to spend an extra week at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Mrs. Harold Bonney, Beryl Bonney, and Mrs. Dorothy Ross and little friend, of West Paris, visited Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford and Mrs. Lettie Ford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and daughters, Rebecca and Kathleen, Wallingford, Conn., and another daughter, Mrs. Diana Dickinson, came Friday evening and spent Saturday with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Lillian Lapham. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Swan visited while they were there.

Debra Jo Dunham is spending Monday through Wednesday at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Rowena Dunham, helping prepare Christmas dinner for the whole family. Nineteen are expected.

IN MEMORIAM
In memory of our Father
Frank Voycher Vetkosky
who passed away Dec. 29, 1950
Like falling leaves the years drift by,
But memories of you will never die.
In our hearts you'll always stay
Loved and remembered every day,
No matter what we do,
Always in our hearts,
Because we loved and miss you so.

Still sadly missed by
Daughters, Mary, Eleanor,
Helena
Grandchildren,
Great Grandchildren

North Paris

— Eveline Barrett, Corres. —
It's beginning to look like Christmas. A nice six inch blanket of snow for Santa and the skiers and ski-dogs. Hope the accidents on the long week end will be few. The frigid air of Friday and Saturday kept some shoppers home by the fires.

Doris Lawrence had a vacation last week and had a hard week. Finally on Thursday she went to the doctor at Lewiston. He said virus or shingles in her left ankle and foot also on the sole of her foot. She didn't get much rest.

Mrs. Emory Ryerson brought Joe Barrett a lovely fruit basket, a gift from the Ring-McKeen Post and Auxiliary of West Paris. Also calling were Lucius Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Coffin, Jeff and Jim, Doris Lawrence, Lois Cusson and Brian.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cusson went to Berlin Saturday with his parents of Lewiston. Brian stayed with the Barretts.

The children are having two weeks vacation.

David Broberg was plowing driveways Sunday and again early Monday morning. We usually do get plenty of white stuff.

Happy Holidays,

CARD OF THANKS
I want to sincerely thank all friends, relatives, co-workers, the Legion and Auxiliary, who were so thoughtful during my recent hospitalization and since my return home. The cards, visits, flowers, phone calls and encouragement have been greatly appreciated.

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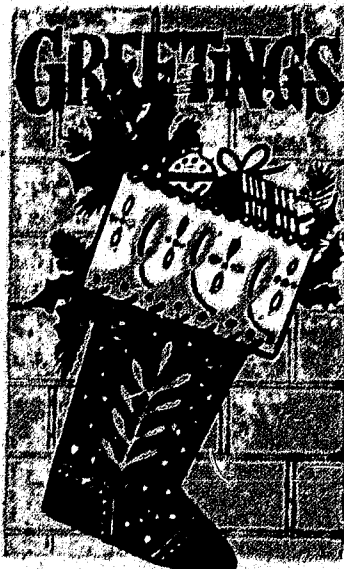
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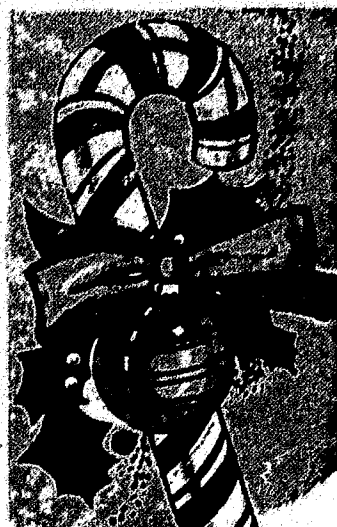
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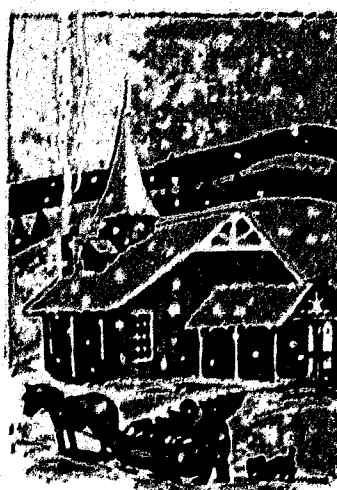
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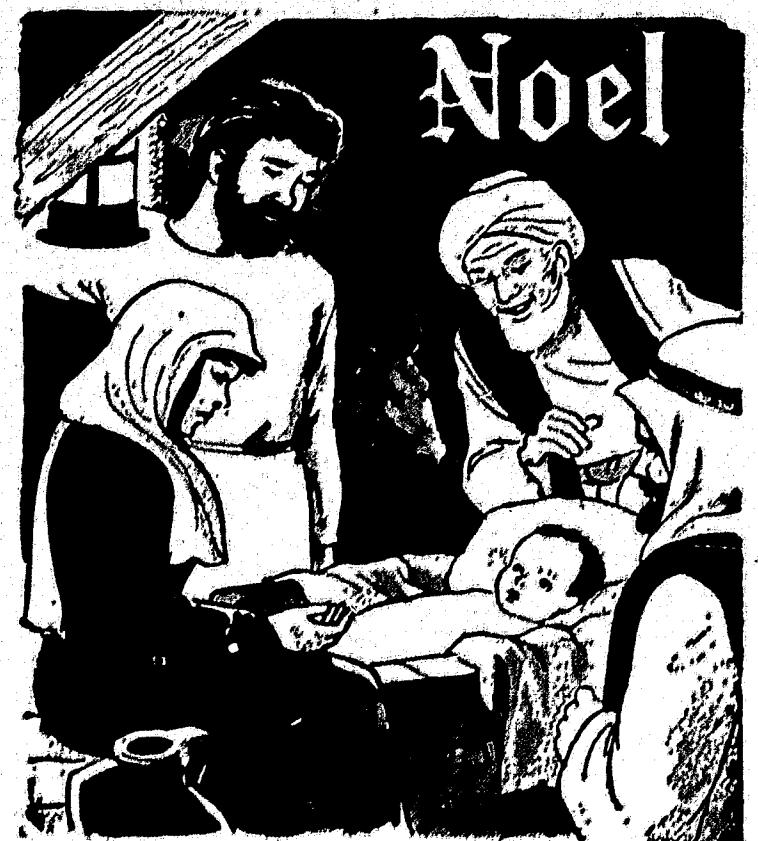
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West Bethel

Mrs. Lena Gilbert, Corres.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all personnel in the Bethel Citizen office and to all other correspondents.

I think we all try to make our columns interesting and hope we get cooperation from all in our communities, by their calling in, or sending in news items of interest. I have been told by former residents, that the only way they find out about old friends and neighbors is by reading the news columns in the Bethel Citizen. Let's not disappoint them. Happy New Year to all.

The Ladies Aid had their Annual Christmas party on Dec. 10. It was held at Linda Westleigh's home with 11 present. After the business meeting gifts were exchanged and games were played. A delicious lunch was served and everyone agreed that fun was had by all. The January meeting will be held at Marilyn Gilbert's.

The Sunday School Christmas program and tree held at West Bethel Union Church Sunday evening was well attended by parents, relatives and friends. A nice program was enjoyed by all. The pastor, Bert Griffith and Mrs. Griffith were presented a picnic basket by Ladies Aid and a Christmas Food Basket by Community.

Christmas Guests

Mrs. Grace Morrill will be a guest of her granddaughter and family, the Paul Halle's at Lisbon Falls.

Mrs. Violet Bennett will join her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lyon, West Bethel.

Mrs. Clare Smith will be a guest Christmas of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Mills, Bryant Pond.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Davis on Christmas will be his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Davis, aunt, Mrs. Clara Rolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mason expect to be guests of her daughter and family, the Ernest Grants of Yarmouth, Christmas day, providing the weather is suitable to make the trip to Yarmouth.

On Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Westleigh and children will entertain Mrs. Frances Bennett of Bethel; Miss Isabelle Bennett, Waltham, Mass.; Joe, Debra and Theresa Westleigh.

On Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Westleigh, Joe, Lisa and Jimmy will have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ervil Curtis, Danforth; Donna Curtis and friend, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Curtis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Curtis and children of Skowhegan; Mr. and Mrs. David Hughes, Auburn; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Taylor, South

Paris; Mrs. Frances Bennett, Bethel; Miss Isabelle Bennett, Waltham, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Head, Jane, Marietta will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Paul Head, Mr. and Mrs. John Head, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilbert, Miss Roberta Gilbert, Mrs. Lona Gilbert, for a dinner party, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Saunders, Sr., will be guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Brown, Penny and Sheri; other guests of the Browns will be her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Saunders, Jr., and John of Goffstown, N. H., on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Gilbert will entertain Christmas eve at a dinner party and tree. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. James Kenzie III, Westbrook; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Andover and Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Gilbert, Mrs. Lona Gilbert, West Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Blake, Bethel.

Mrs. Dorothy Bennett and Miss Candy Bennett will be guests Christmas of her daughter and family the Leon Tylers Jr. in Eliot.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Gilbert and family will have as guests Miss Lorna Bean, Miss Wilberta Frost for tree Christmas morning. Neil Gilbert will be a guest of the Whitehouse's at a dinner party in Bridgton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Brown and children of South Windham were in town on Friday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Davis and other relatives, as they will be unable to come Christmas.

On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Lovejoy attended Oxford County Council meeting at Locke Mills and Commander Lovejoy furnished music for carol singing.

Dec. 17 Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lovejoy were called to St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston, as Miss Lillian Lovejoy was scheduled for surgery on that date, but due to complications has been rescheduled for Dec. 22. Mrs. Kenneth Lovejoy was called in at the hospital the evening before.

Miss Ellen Lovejoy participated

Sunday River

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.
Peggy Harrington is home from her school for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Angela Onofrio were callers the other afternoon at Julia Fleet's with gifts from Santa.

Mrs. Maude Harrington called on her friends with Christmas cheer this week.

Darnita Yates is home for the holidays from Berlin.

Barbara Yates was in Berlin on Friday.

Russell Yates was in Portland for his check up one day the first of the week.

There was four inches of new snow this morning and most of us are glad as our water pipes are getting frozen up quite regular.

The school children have a few days of vacation to enjoy the winter outdoors.

The Sunday school closed with a very good program, gifts and treats. With a big thanks to one and all who so freely gave cookies, candy, fruit and gum, everything was very much appreciated. Sharon Bates has been on the sick list this week.

In the Christmas concert at Telstar Wednesday evening. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings enjoyed the fine program.

On Friday Mrs. Cleveland Lovejoy and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cummings were in Lewiston to see Lillian Lovejoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Lovejoy will have as guests for a Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Lovejoy and Shane, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Ray West and Rebecca of South Rumford will join them for supper and tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bean will entertain Christmas Eve Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bean and daughter of Bethel and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bean and daughters of Bethel, for Christmas dinner and tree.

The West Bethel Youth Group met Sunday, Nov. 21, at the church with Donnie and Bonnie York as leaders. We practiced Christmas carols to sing when we go caroling Tuesday. We stayed for the Sunday School program and sang some carols. —Sec., Cheryl Gilbert.

East Bethel

Mrs. David Foster, Corres.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox and daughters, Laura and Lisa, attended a family Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bessey in Rumford Corner, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cox of Rumford Corner were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox and daughters, Laura and Lisa, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roland Tyler in Dixfield, Friday.

Jeffrey Nevens of Brownville; Lendell Nevens of Carmel, N. Y., arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Floribel Haines for several days.

Mrs. Floribel Haines; Mrs. Agnes Haines; Mrs. Lillian Bartlett; Mrs. Maud Danforth and Mrs. Leona Lurvey attended the Senior Citizens Dinner given by the Rotary Club at Bethel Wednesday.

Loyde Farren of Colebrook, N. H., was an overnight guest of Mrs. Leona Curtis, Monday.

Mrs. Leona Curtis; Mrs. Floribel Haines and Mrs. Maud Danforth attended the Fish and Game Association's Christmas party and concert at Locke Mills Tuesday.

Mrs. Thelma Chapman; Mr. and Mrs. John Hemingway; and Mrs. Leona Curtis were in Berlin, N. H., Friday.

Mrs. Alrene Wessen and children, John and Peggy, of Goodlettsville, Tenn., arrived Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Almon Coolidge for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coolidge went to Portland to get them.

Mr. and Mrs. Almon Coolidge; Henry Leavett; Mrs. Arlene Wessen and children; John and Peggy, had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coolidge.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Coolidge of Northwest Bethel were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Almon Coolidge.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Mercer of Fort Meade, Md., arrived Sunday to visit Mrs. Agnes Haines for several days.

Jeff Smith was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stearns in Rumford Corner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks attended a family Christmas party

Albany HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY

Harlan Bumpus, Corres.
A surprise birthday party was given Mrs. Alberta White at her home Saturday night by her family.

Howard Inman celebrated his birthday Sunday with a family party at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennett attended the Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wilson, Center Lovell.

Miss Beth Bumpus and Joe Kempton of New Sharon were Sunday dinner guests at her grandfather's, Harlan Bumpus. Afternoon callers were the other two

at the home of Miss Gloria Hicks in Auburn Saturday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frazer and sons, Charles Jr., and Darrel, of Lewiston; Norman Hicks of Brownfield; Audrey and Lillian Hicks of Conway; John Hicks and Miss Linda Roseberry of Rumford and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kimball and children, Velora and James, were supper guests of Lawrence Crockett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy McDow and son, Mickey, of Grafton, N. H., were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Corkum Friday.

Timmy and Wade Corkum attended the Christmas party at the Fire Station in Locke Mills Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Corkum, Mrs. Nancy Vandouren and Betty, of Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Corkum and Wade attended the Sunday School Play at Locke Mills Sunday. Timmy was in the play.

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West Greenwood

Carolyn M. Colby, Corres.
Visitors at Alden and Irene Wilson's have been Gloria Wilson and Oscar Annis.

Alden Wilson has been a patient at the Portland Osteopathic Hospital since Sunday.

Jean, Al, Kim and Michelle Collet, Sebago, visited Zip and Muriel Gilbert, Saturday.

"There's one good thing about snow—it makes your lawn look as nice as your neighbors."

grandchildren and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Hazelton of Harrison and Mrs. Vicki Underwood and daughter, Jody, of North Bridgton, Mrs. Sylvia Cummings of South Paris was a caller the first of the week.

The week's callers of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennett and boys were Mr. and Mrs. Gus McAllister and Vicki of North Waterford; Mrs. Wayne Miller of Bridgton; Mrs. Margaret Barton, Brett and Jimmy; and Miss Christine Twitchell of Bryant Pond.

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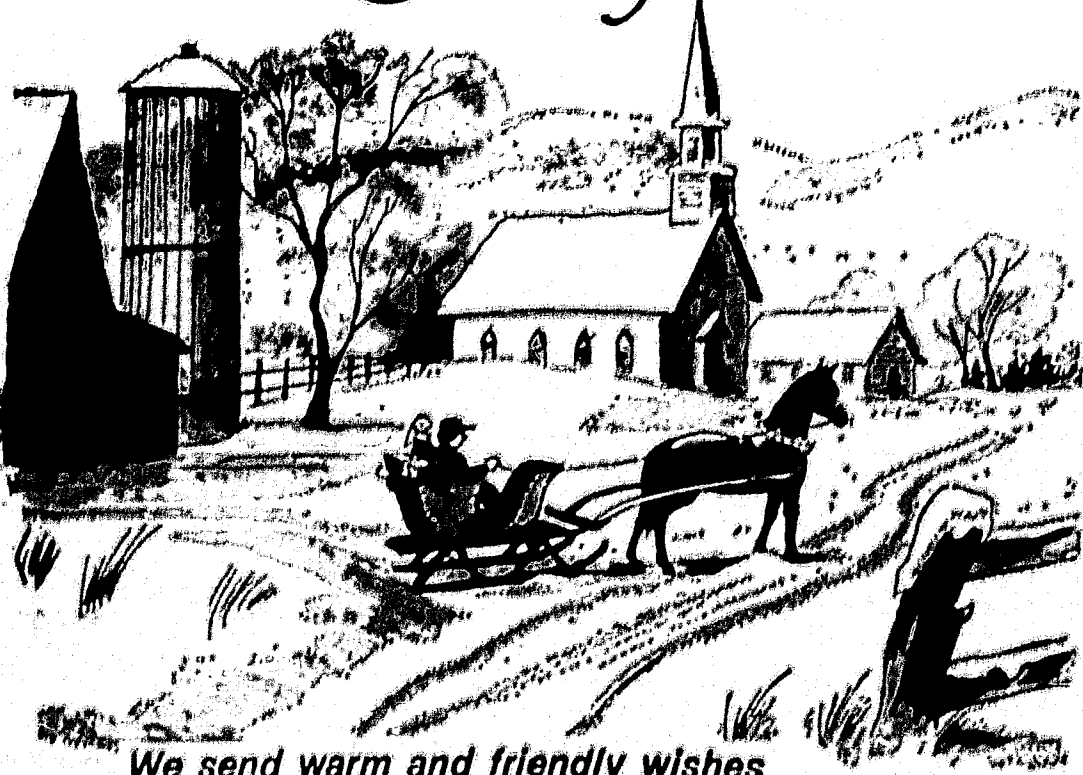
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CHARLES F. KEENAN

Charles F. Keenan of Gateway Trailer Park, Gorham, N. H., died Saturday, Dec. 20, 1975, at the Willow's Convalescent Home in Franconia, N. H., after a long illness.

He was born in Johnville, N. B., April 19, 1903, the son of Daniel and Bridget McLaughlin Keenan and had lived in Berlin, N. H., most of his life. He owned and operated the Berlin Welding Co. for over 50 years and during World War II was a welding instructor at the South Portland, Maine, shipyard. He was a member of St. Kierans Church and a fourth degree member of R. of C.

Surviving are his widow, Shirley Chadwick Keenan, Gorham; a son, Robert, of Bellingham, Wash.; a daughter, Mrs. Barbara MacDougall, Bethel, Maine; four grandchildren; three brothers, Jack of Toronto, Can., Fred of Vancouver, B. C., and William of Lewiston, Maine; a sister, Miss Margaret Keenan, Moncton, N. B.

MRS. MARY B. STALMUKE

Mrs. Mary B. Stalmuke died unexpectedly Saturday, Dec. 20, 1975, at her residence, 23 Mexico Ave., Mexico. She had resided in the Mexico area all her life.

She was born Feb. 1, 1911, in Rumford, the daughter of John and Eva Ukmont Barney. She was a communicant of St. Theresa Church, Mexico. She had graduated from Mexico High School. She was married in Rumford, June 18, 1938, to Felix M. Stalmuke, who survives.

Other survivors besides her husband of Mexico are a daughter, Jean S. McGuire, Bethel; four sisters, Mrs. Ann Sobut, Oregon City, Ore., Mrs. Frances Stalmuke, Rumford, Mrs. Stacy Saunders, Holliston, Mass., and Miss Ellen Barney, Mexico, and two grandchildren.

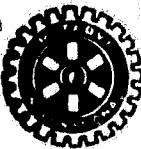
Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday morning at St. Theresa's Church, Mexico, Entombment at the St. Joseph Receiving Vault.

GEORGE BERNARD CUSHMAN

George Bernard Cushman died at his home, 112 Eastern Ave., Augusta, Friday morning, Dec. 19, 1975, after a long illness. He was born March 27, 1917, in Woodstock, the son of George W. and Lena M. Francis Cushman.

A veteran of World War II, he had been employed at the Veterans Administration Center, Togus, as an accountant in the Department of Finance and Data Processing 29 years. He was a graduate of the University of Maine at Orono, and was a member of Franklin Grange, of Bryant Pond; Alfred Maxwell Post, American Legion, of Winthrop; and a member, past president and founder of the Togus Employees Association.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Pauline Howe Cushman, of Augusta; two daughters, Miss Sandra Cushman, of Falmouth, and Mrs. Joline Lambert, of Farmington; three brothers, Hanno H. Cushman of Bryant Pond, Elwin S., of Auburn, and Irving L. Cushman, of Augusta; four sisters, Mrs. Bessie McGuire and Mrs. Erma McGuire, of West Peru, Mrs. Beatrice Felt, of Monmouth, and Mrs. Avis Coolidge, of Auburn; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Funeral services were held Sunday, at 15 Flagg Street, Augusta.



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SALE OF NORWAY FM RADIO STATION COMPLETED

Arlene M. Knight, president of Oxford Hills Radio Communications, Inc., licensee of radio station WNXY-FM, Norway, Maine, and Raymond Knight last week completed the sale of WNXY to Richard D. Gleason of Skowhegan.

Richard Gleason has been active in broadcasting since high school where he moderated a weekly public affairs program. While he attended the University of Maine in Orono where he received a bachelor of science and master's degree in business administration and marketing, he was active on the campus radio station. He has worked as a salesman and announcer at WGUY radio in Bangor, Maine, and, for the past four years, as general manager of radio station WSKW, Skowhegan, and radio station WTOS-FM, with transmitter on top of Sugarloaf Mountain.

Recently, Gleason was honored nationally by the National Association of FM Broadcasters for writing "A Guide to Better FM Reception". In addition, the National Research Bureau intends to distribute nationally the details of another promotional idea of Gleason's entitled "Project FM Radio". Gleason has been active with FM radio for over 10 years.

Gleason stated that it was especially exciting moving into this area, since his family was originally from Mexico and Windham. Gleason, his wife, Kathy, and two daughters will reside on Orchard Street in Norway.

DIED

In Norway, Dec. 20, Jeffery P. Chaplin, aged 17, of South Waterford.

In Augusta, Dec. 19, George Bernard Cushman, aged 58 years.

In Mexico, Dec. 20, Mrs. Mary B. Stalmuke, aged 64 years.

In Franconia, N. H., Dec. 20, Charles F. Keenan, of Gorham, N. H., aged 72 years.

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STATE LEGION ADJUTANT SUGGESTS NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR VETERANS

With the approach of the New Year's holiday, State Adjutant Daniel E. Lambert, of the Maine American Legion, is suggesting a New Year's resolution which would stress the importance of safekeeping personal documents such as military discharge papers, marriage licenses, divorce decrees, all insurance policies for veterans and dependents, correspondence with the Veterans Administration or other agencies concerning veterans benefits.

Other information which should be filed with personal documents, Lambert added, are VA claim numbers, social security numbers and where applicable, naturalization papers.

"A few moments in simple organization can do much to avoid undue anguish and problems during times of great emotional stress," Lambert reported. "These vital papers, as well as all other important personal documents, should be kept safe from fire and theft, yet readily available and their location known to all family members," the Legion State Adjutant added.

The veteran's family should be aware of possible survivor benefits such as VA pension or dependency and indemnity compensation for service connected death.

Lambert also urged that veterans should inform themselves and family members of local contacts in the field of veterans affairs as well as state and federal agencies which provided services to veterans, widows and orphans.

"Too often, the widow and children of veterans are without resources due to a lack of knowledge concerning veterans benefits," Lambert stated. The Legion state administrator said that The

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS 9.3% FOR NOVEMBER IN MAINE

Emilien A. Levesque, Commissioner of the Maine Department of Manpower Affairs has announced that Maine's unemployment rate increased for the third consecutive month to 9.3% in November. This is a 0.4 percentage point over October and 2.2 points over November of 1974.

The November 1975 unemployment rate represents an estimated 40,500 persons unemployed as compared with 38,800 in October and 30,700 for November 1974. The increased joblessness can be attributed to seasonal job losses in both nonfarm industries and agriculture.

Nonfarm wage and salary employment dropped from 357,800 in October to 355,100 in November, while agricultural employment declined from 11,350 to 9,530.

Employment in manufacturing industries fell from 97,500 to 96,800. Losses were recorded in food and kindred products (-800), while metals and machinery, apparel, and the paper industry lost 100 jobs each. Gains were recorded in leather and leather products (+300), and in textile mill products (+100).

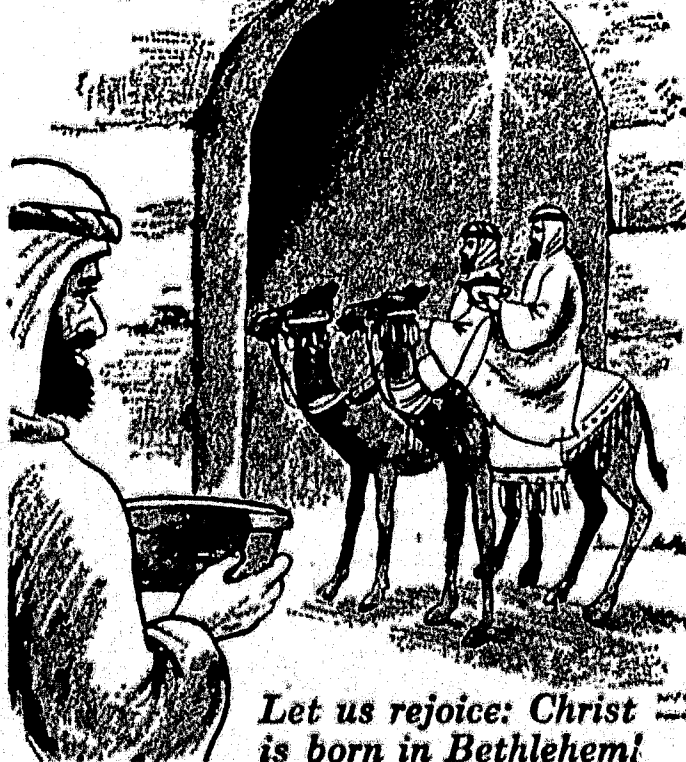
Employment in nonmanufacturing declined from 260,300 in October to 258,300 in November. Losses were reported in services (-1,500); wholesale and retail trade (-500); contract construction (-400); transportation and public utilities (-300); and finance, insurance, and real estate (-100).

Government employment increased by 800, from 79,200 to 80,000, with an increase of 200 jobs in Federal Government, 1,400 in local government and an offsetting decrease of 800 workers in state government.

American Legion was trying to provide full and complete information to assist veterans in Maine.

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Jeffery P. Chaplin of South Waterford, died late Saturday night, Dec. 20, 1975, at the Norway hospital following a fall in the woods while searching for a Christmas tree.

Nearly 100 men were involved in the search for the boy and he was found and taken to the hospital at about 9:30 where physicians worked for over an hour in an attempt to revive him. He died at about midnight.

He was born at Norway, July 8, 1958, the son of Phillip F. and Deanna Scribner Chaplin. He was a senior at Oxford Hills High School, South Paris, and had worked for the past five summers at Camp Wigwag in South Waterford. He had resided in South Waterford all his life.

Surviving besides his parents of South Waterford are a brother, Dana F., and a sister, Kimberly M., both of South Waterford; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Evaline Scribner, Gray; and paternal grandmother, Mrs. Pearl Chaplin, South Waterford.

"FROZEN ROAD LAW" REPEALED AS OF OCT. 1

The Maine State Police wants to inform those truckers who still may be unaware that two provisions of the state motor vehicle law have been changed.

The truck weight law, effective Oct. 1, 1975, repealed the so-called "frozen road law" that allowed trucks registered for a minimum \$100 registration fee, to operate with the road limit for a given vehicle during the months of Dec., Jan., and Feb., without payment of additional registration fees.

"Our Traffic Division has made an intensive effort to inform truckers that the so-called 'frozen road law' is no longer law as of Oct. 1, and that trucks must be registered for the gross weight they are to be operated with," said Col. Donald E. Nichols, Chief of the Maine State Police.

In addition, section 106 of the motor vehicle law advises truck-

TELSTAR J.V.'s WIN NO. 4 - DEFEAT MONMOUTH 64-45

Telstar J.V.'s eased into Christmas break with a crushing 64-45 win over the visiting Monmouth Mustangs, Friday, Dec. 19. The Rebels forced 16 Mustang turnovers in the first period and raced out to a 22-2 lead, from which Monmouth never recovered. With Ernie Bolio and Larry Bennett blocking shots and controlling the boards with 10 and eight rebounds respectively, the J.V.'s upped their record to 4-2.

Game-high scorer was B. Barry of Monmouth with 20 points, but Telstar had four players in double figures: Bobby Seames, 13; Lloyd Poland, 12; Mark Kendall, 10; and Bolio, 10. Telstar reserves played most of the second and fourth quarters. The score by quarters was 22-2, 35-19, and 51-35.

Next game for Telstar is Friday, Jan. 2, at Mt. Abram.

| Telstar summary: | g | f | p |
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| Ernie Bolio | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| Lloyd Poland | 6 | 0 | 12 |
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| Mark Kendall | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Larry Bennett | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Geff Gaudreau | 2 | 0 | 4 |
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ers they cannot display 1976 registration tabs on Christmas Day as previous law allowed. 1976 truck registration may not be displayed before Feb. 1, 1976.

Trucks are a mainstay to our economy, and anything the State Police can do to help the responsible individuals to keep abreast of changes in the motor vehicle law, we want to do," Col. Nichols said.

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